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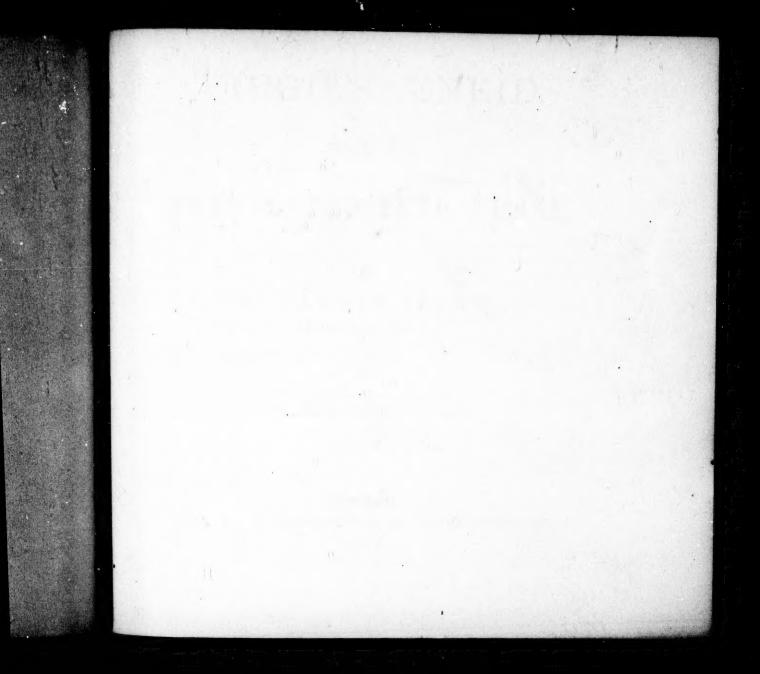
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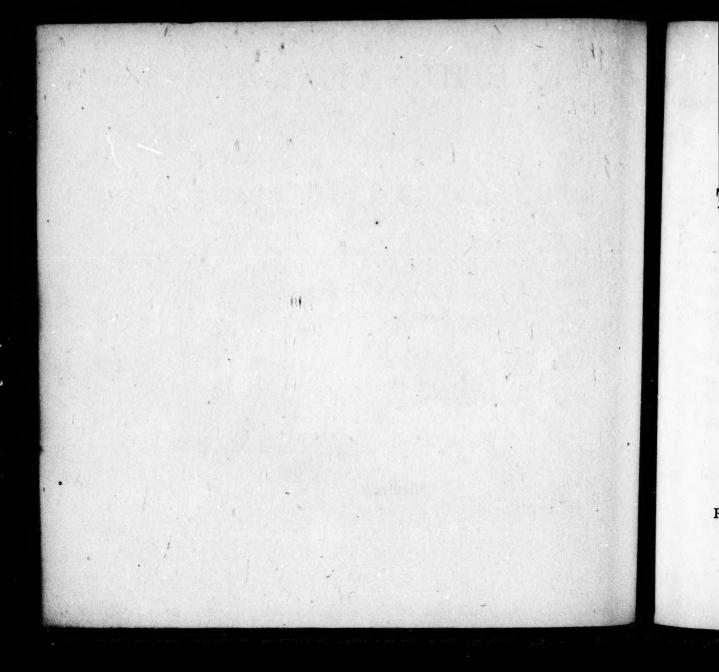
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PREFACE.

ENCOURAGED by the favorable opinion of the Translation of Virgil's Æneid, Book V—expressed by several friends, and accompanied with a desire that the work should be continued—the translation of Book VI has been attempted, in a similar manner: and it is now published, in the hope that it may meet with still greater success.

These two Books, from the peculiarity of the incidents, have much of the nature of Episodes, and may stand alone, as fragments of the great Epic, perhaps better than any others. Whether they shall be allowed to do so, or not, will much depend upon the decision of a generous public.

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So, in tears, he speaks; and to fleet gives reins:
And the Euboïc coast* at length he gains
Of Cumæ. They to seaward turn the prows;
Then, with firm tooth, the anchor dropt from bows
The stayed ships moored: the curved poops fringe the shore.
An ardent band of youths forth spring to explore
The Italian soil: part seek the seeds of fire
In the flint's veins hid; part, borne by desire,
Plunder the woods, the wild beasts' coverts dense,
And tell of streams descried, returning thence.

But pious Æneas to the towers repairs
O'er which the high Apollo influence bears,
And the vast cave, the Sibyl's dread recess,—
Whom the great god inspiring does impress
With understanding and a will, that she,
Prophetic, may disclose things yet to be.

The grove they soon—Diana's loved bowers—thread.

Fleeing Minoïs' realms—'tis by Fame said—
Dædalus* dared to trust him to the sky,
And with swift pinions, fearless, steered on high
To the cold North his unaccustomed way;
Hovering at length o'er Cumæ—there made stay.
To these lands first restored, O Phæbus, he
His rowing gear of wings, resigned, to thee
Did consecrate, and a huge temple reared.

Upon the doors† Androgeus' death appeared;
And the sad penalty—the Athenians doomed
Yearly to yield seven sons to be consumed:
Ah, wretched! the lots drawn, there the urn does stand.
As counterpart:—in sea the ‡Gnossian land.
Herein Pasiphaë's mad love; and hence,
Dire progeny, the Minotaur immense:
Record impure of lust inordinate.
Here, too, the monster's home—work intricate,
Inextricable maze. But—for he the flame
Pitied of kindled love in royal dame||—
The wily intricacies of the place
Dædalus himself's unravelling, the trace

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In such great work thou, too, should'st had thy stead,
O Icarus,* with power his grief to waive:
Twice he essayed in gold thy fall to grave;
Twice fell the hands parental.—Doubtless, they
Had all things scanned in more minute survey,
But with Achatès came, premissioned he,
Phœbus and Dian's priestess, Deiphobè,
Glaucus' daughter; who speech of king did seize:—
Such time demands not spectacles like these;
Better now slay from untouched herd seven steers,
And from flock, as wont, like number of two-years.

Æneas thus addressed:—nor the ordered rites
Delayed the men—the Trojans she invites
Into the lofty temple. Hollowed a cave,
In huge side of Euboïc rock, they have;
Whither wide entrances, a hundred, lead—
The hundred mouths whence voices like proceed,
Responses of the Sibyl. Barrier gained:
'Tis time to ask your fates to have explained,
The virgin cries, the God! the God is here!
This 'fore portals uttering did cohere,

Suddenly, air nor hue of face; nor rest Her well combed tresses: but her heaving breast And wild heart swell with fury; and she seems Larger, nor mortal-sounding, as she teems With the more instant God.—Thou, she says, lag'st, Trojan Æneas; in vows and prayers lag'st: But, not before, of the astonished fane The numerous mouths will ope. This said: she then Was silent. Awe thrilled cold the Trojans through; And from inmost soul their king these prayers drew:-Phœbus,* of Troy's ills aye compassionate, Who Paris' †Trojan shaft directedst straight Against the body of Æacides, I, with thy guidance, have on many seas, Large territories girding, venturèd— Of far remote Massyli, and the dread Syrtès bordering: now we, finally, Have caught the shores of fleeing Italy. Thus far has Trojan fortune us pursued. It now is lawful that you also should The race Pergamëan spare, ye Gods all And Goddesses, whom Ilium! did gall,

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And glory great Dardanian. And thou, 0 prophetess most holy, to avow What shall be prescient, vouchsafe, I pray, [I ask no kingdom from my fates astray] In Latium Trojans rest without annoy, And wandering Gods, tossed deities of Troy. A temple then will I, of solid marble, raise To Phoebus and Diana,—and festive days Appoint in Phœbus' name. Thee does await, Within our kingdom also, recess great: For here thy oracles apart I'll place, And hidden fates declared unto my race, And to thy service chosen men devote, 0 gracious one. Only commit thou not To leaves thy verses; lest they fly away The sport of gusty winds: sing them, I pray, Thyself. He ceased to speak.—Inside the cave The raging prophetess still wild does rave, Not yet of Phoebus patient, and her best Tries, to discard the great God from her breast. So much the more her rabid mouth he strains, Taming her fierce heart: and so moulding feigns.

And now the vast temple's hundred mouths wide ope, Self-moved, and Sibyl's answer give free scope:-O 'scaped at length from the sea's dangers great. Perils more grievous thee by land await. Into Latinus' realms* shall come the race Of Dardanus; this care from breast efface: But that they had not come shall wish. Wars, lo! Wars, I see, horrid; and the Tiber flow With much blood foaming. Thee shall neither fail Xanthus nor Simoïs, nor Greek camp's pale. Already an Achillès, ripe for scorn, In Latium is: he, too, of goddess born. And from the Trojans absent ne'er shall be Persistent Juno. In extremity, Whom shalt thou not, what nations not implore, Or what Italian cities not before Bow suppliant. The cause of such great ill A wife to Trojans hospitable still, And still foreign nuptials. To ills do thou Succumb not, but go 'gainst with bolder brow Than thee shall thy fortune let. The first way Of safety a Greek city shall display:

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Her fury ceased; silent her accents wild; Æneas 'gins to speak, the hero mild:-To me, O virgin, shape of ills, nor new, Nor unexpected, rises up to view. All things I have forestalled, and acted o'er Erenow in thought. One thing I thee implore: Since the Infernal gate, 'tis said, is here, And, Acheron upheaved, the gloomy mere, May't be my lot, for sight and speech to go Of my dear parent: thou the way do show And the awful portals ope. Him from the fray, Through flames and urging darts, I bore away Upon these shoulders; from mid foe did save: He my way shared; all seas with me did brave: Infirm, all threats of deep and sky engage, Beyond the strength and privilege of age.

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To thy threshold suppliant, me with prayer
He did himself enjoin. Both son and sire
Pity, O gracious one; grant our desire:
For thou canst all things, nor did Hecatè*
The Avernian groves consign in vain to thee.
If his wife's manès Orpheus could recall,
His Thracian harp's harmonious strings his all:
If Pollux, by his death alternate, saved
His brother, and the way so often braved:
Why Theseus? Why the great Alcidès† name?
I too from mighty Jove do lineage claim.

In such words prayed he, and with pious hand The altar touched. Then thus began more bland The prophetess:—By blood with the gods blent, O Trojan Anchisiadës, descent Is easy of Avernus. Night and day Dark Pluto's gate stands open; broad the way: But to retrace the steps, and to high air Emerge,—the task, the difficulty there. Whom the just Jupiter has loved, a few, And virtue bright to heaven has raised, 'tis true

Sprung they from gods, have done't. Wide woods between, Girt by Cocytus' dark tide, intervene. But if such love is thine; such longing great, Twice the Stygian lake to navigate, Twice the gloomy Tartarus to espy, And feat insane it pleaseth thee to try,-Hear what must first be done: There lurks a spray On shady tree, golden its foliage gay And gentle stem; to Juno* consecrate, The infernal. It, as inviolate, The woods all conceal, and the umbrage dark Of bosky dells. But none 'tis given to embark On quest of Earth's secrets deep, till from tree He pluck the golden-tressèd progeny. This to be brought to her as special meed The beautiful Proserpine has decreed. When pulled: another, golden, in its place Faileth not; and leaves of like ore apace The stem germinates. Therefore, with raised eyes. Search; and, when found, with hand pluck guarded-wise: For of itself and yielding 'twill requite Thine anxious pains, if thee the Fates invite;

Else, it to rend no strength shall thee avail,
Nor with hard steel to unfix shalt thou prevail.
Besides, thy friend's corpse lies, alas! the while
Unknown to thee; does the whole fleet defile,
Whilst thou consult'st and hang'st about our door.
Him to his place bear and entomb before:
Dark cattle lead; these thy first victims be:
So thou, at length, the Stygian groves shalt see—
Realms to the quick pathless.—Closed her replies:
Æneas with sad look, and downcast eyes,
From cave walks forth; upon each dark event
Within his own troubled mind his thoughts intent.
His faithful friend Achatès him attends,
And, with like care oppressed, his steps he bends.

In various talk, much then they did confer:
What friend the priestess might extinct aver,
What corpse to be inhumed. As they drew near,
On the dry shore Misenus did appear,
By death unworthy slain—Misenus, son
Of *Æolus; than whom more skilled was none
Men with trump to rouse, and with sound to inflame
Hot war. He had once been of Hector's fame

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Noted in fights by clarion eke and spear.
Great Hector by Achillès, victor, slain,
The hero joinèd had Æneas' train—
No meaner lot. Whilst, fool, he wakes the sea
With hollow conch—and Gods to rivalry,
Envious Triton*—if worth credence grave—
Him, caught 'mong rocks, had whelmed in frothy wave.
Therefore they all bewailed with clamor great:
Pious Æneas most disconsolate.

The orders then of Sibyl, weeping they
To accelerate proceed without delay:
And the altar of the sepulchre they vie
To heap with trees and draw out to the sky.
Forth to the ancient woods—the lofty stalls
Of savage beasts—they went: the pine down falls:
Resounds the holm tree with the axe's stroke,
And the ashen trunks: to wedge splits fissile oak:
Wild-ashes huge they make to topple low
The mountains o'er. Æneas to and fro
Chief'mid these labors goes: the men incites,
And, with like arms begirt, to toil invites.

Meanwhile, this thought lights up his sorrow's cloud, Eving the wide woods, and he prays aloud: O may that golden branch upon its tree In such a grove now show itself to me; Since all, alas! the prophetess did tell Too truly that, Misenus, thee befell. Scarce had he said: when flying from the sky Two pigeons came, by chance, and down close by Sat on the green earth. Then he knew that they His mother's birds* were; and, rejoiced, does pray: O now be ye my guides, if way there be, And through the air the course direct show ve Unto the grove where shades the fertile ground The precious branch: and thou, when doubts surround, Parent divine, O fail me not. He stayed, When thus he spoke, his steps: and strict watch made What signs they'd show, whither begin to tend. Flitting and feeding they their way did wend Far as keen eyes of followers could note, Till they had reached Avernus' noisome throat: When, on wing they rise; and, through liquid air Gliding, they to the wished-for seats repair,

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And light on forked tree; whence the gay sheen, Through the boughs different, of gold was seen. As in the woods the misletoe is wont

The winter's cold with fresh leaf to confront;

Nor yet by its own tree sown, but around

The taper trunk the yellow birth has wound:

Such on dark holm the show of golden rind;

So trilled the spangle in the gentle wind.

Æneas clutches quick, and eager tears

It slowly yielding, and to Sibyl bears.

No less, meanwhile, the Trojans on the shore
Misenus wept, and the last honors bore
To the ungrateful ashes. First they reared—
With torch-pines fat, and huge with split oak tiered—
A funeral pile; whose sides they interweave
With mournful boughs; sacred to those that grieve
The dead, place dismal cypresses before;
And with his shining arms adorn it o'er.
Part fountains hot and surging pots disjoint
From fires, and wash the cold corpse and anoint.
Lament is made: then on a couch they place
The members, when bemoaned; and o'er to grace

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Dark robes, the well known drapery, they throw. Part 'neath the huge bier did, sad duty, go; And the subjected torch by usage they Of fathers held, their faces turned away. Gifts of frankincense mingled in the frame And fat, and oil from goblets, catch the flame. Collapsed the ashes and the blazing o'er, On relics and dry embers wine they pour. And Chorinæus the culled bones bestows In brazen case: round friends with lymph thrice goes, Sprinkling from olive branch the gentle dew, And purged the men and spoke the last adieu. But pious Æneas a huge tomb placed, With the man's arms and oar and trumpet graced, Near lofty mount. The spot from him is named Misenus now, and so shall aye be famed.

These duties done: he hastens to obey
The Sibyl's last command. A cavern lay—
Deep, and of yawning vast, with pebbles strewed—
Protected by dark lake and umbrage broad;
Cross which there could not any flying thing
Its way pursue, unscathed, on fluttering wing,

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Such breath forth issuing from the dark throat, To high convex did pestilential float. The Greeks the place did hence Avernus* name. Here, first, four dark-backed steers—the Sibyl's claim— He placed: on head the priestess pours the wine; And, first offering, hairs that 'mid horns incline Plucking she casts on sacred fire; with yell Hecatè calling, in heaven feared and hell. Others the knives use, and in goblets catch The tepid blood. Æneas does despatch, With his own hand and sword, a dark-fleeced lamb, To night—of the Eumenidest the dam— And her great sister: and a sterile cow, Proserpine, unto thee. Besides, he now To Stygian kingt does nightly alters dress, And on fires lays oxen's flesh whole—express; Pouring fat oil on burning sacrifice. When lo! toward the dawn and first sunrise, The earth beneath their feet began to growl; And the tree tops to move; and dogs to howl Through the umbrage seemed, as drew the goddess nigh. Away! O ye profane, away!--'gins cry

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The prophetess,—from the whole grove withdraw:
And take the road do thou, and thy sword draw
From scabbard forth; of courage now indeed,
Æneas, now of stout heart there is need.
This said: to yawning cave she wildly hied;
He, with no timid steps, attends his guide.

Ye Gods, to whom the empire does belong
Of spirits; and ye shades—secluded throng;
And Phlegethon and Chaos,—seats which shroud
Of silence wraps: to me may't be allowed
What heard to speak, with your grace to disclose
Things that in earth and thick gloom deep repose.

Under sheer night, through shade they darkling went And Pluto's vacant homes, void realms' extent, As, under light malign, to those the way That through the inconstant moon in woods do stray, When Jupiter has hid in cloud the sky And dark night reft things of their wonted die. In very porch, where first jaws Orcus* spreads, Griefs and avenging Cares have placed their beds And pale Diseases dwell; and Old Age sad; And Fear; and Hunger, prompting to the bad;

And Beggary, deformed with many a soil—
Shapes hideous to behold—and Death; and Toil.
Then Death's brother Sleep, on adverse bar;
And the mind's Evil Joys; and deadly War;
And steel-couched Furies; and mad Discord, round
Her snaky locks with bloody fillet bound.
In middle: its boughs and antique arms displays
A shady elm and huge, which, rumor says,
Vain dreams frequent and 'neath the foliage hide.
And many shapes of various beasts beside:
Centaurs, in doors, and two-formed Scyllæ stall,
And hundred-handed Briareus: withal
The monster there of Lerna, hissing dire;
And dread Chimæra, armed with flames of fire;
Gorgons and Harpies and three-bodied shade.

Æneas now, with sudden fear dismayed,
His sword grasps, and presents to their advance
The naked blade: and, if had failed, by chance,
Companion sage him timely to apprize
That lives, without body rare, did in guise
Of hollow form flit—had rushed, and in vain
With sword had assailed shades.—Thereby is ta'en

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To Acheron's Tartarëan tide the way Cocytus here turbid with mire does stray, Boiling in eddies vast, and heaves the sands. Dread ferryman, these waters' guardian stands, Horribly squalid, Charon: much white hair Neglected rests on chin: in fire eyes stare: From shoulder in a knot hangs garment mean. He guides with pole his craft the shores between, Himself; and trims with sails; and o'er conveys, In the dark boat, the passengers always. Now seeming old; but well he bears time's load; An old age fresh and green becomes the God. Hither the whole throng o'er the banks strewed speed: Mothers and husbands; and, from life now freed, Brave heroes, forms; boy and unmarried maid; And youths on pile in sight of parents laid. As many as the leaves in woods that fall, With the first chill of autumn trickling all; Or on the land that congregate from sea As many as the birds, when them to flee Across the waves the frigid year commands, And sends to recreate in sunny lands.

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Pleading the stand to be first ferried o'er, And stretch their hands for love of farther shore; But the grim skipper these now those receives, And others drives from beach far off and leaves. Æneas-wondering, and moved as well By the tumult—says: Thou, O virgin, tell What means this concourse—I by favor speak— Or what on bank so earnestly do seek The sprites? Or yet by what distinction swayed, These left, those o'er the livid stream conveyed? The aged priestess shortly thus replied: Anchises-born—certes with Gods allied— Cocytus' pools thou seest, and Stygian lake By which to swear Gods fear and oath to break: All this the poor crowd is, denied a grave: Ferryman,—Charon: buried,—those on wave: Neither rough banks nor hoarse tide—this the doom-Shalt cross before thy bones rest in the tomb. A hundred years they roam these shores around, Then the wished pools revisit, worthy found. Æneas paused—his steps stayed on the spot, Thinking much, and pitying the unjust lot.

Sad, and deprived of funeral obsequies, Leucaspis here, Orontes too, he sees-The latter leader of the Lycian fleet-Who, o'er the sea from Troy borne, both did meet, By stormy South-wind, with a watery grave; Ship at once ingulfed and men in the wave.— Lo! pilot Palinurus bears in view, Who, the stars watching, to his duty true, Lately in Lybian course had from the poop Amid the waves fallen headlong with fell swoop. When scarce him sad through the deep gloom he knew, He first him thus accosts: -Of the Gods who Thee, Palinurus, snatched from us away And whelmed beneath mid sea? Come, prithee, say; For, whom I never false before did find, Apollo's one response deceived my mind, Who sang thou shouldst be safe on deep, and mo, Shouldst reach Italian bounds—his pledged troth lo! To this:—Neither did oracle of Phœbus thee, O Anchisiadès, deceive; nor me God 'neath sea whelm: for the helm, wrenched by force, To which I, guardian, clung and ruled the course,

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I with me headlong haled. By the rough seas! Not for myself so great fear me did seize, As lest thy ship, of gear robbed, master reft, Might in such rising waves be powerless left. Three stormy nights the angry South me bore Through seas immense, nor the fourth day before From wave's top Italy by me was seen. To land I swam apace, and safe had been, But that the cruel people me, borne down By garments wet, and holding rough rock's crown With crooked paws-fiercely with sword assailed, And, in their ignorance, a prey had hailed. Now me the billows have, and to the shore The winds do toss: therefore I thee implore By heaven's grateful light and air; by sire; By hope of thine I ulus youthful fire-0 invincible, from these ills me relieve. Either do thou—thou canst—on me earth heave, And find Velinus' port; or thou, if known A way, if any has thee haply shown Thy goddess mother—with Gods' grace, to steer Across such streams, thou com'st, and Stygian mere-

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Do thou, with thee, o'er tide me wretched bear, That I, in death, still seats at least may share. This said: the priestess 'gins in tones of ire: Whence, O Palinurus, this so dread desire? Shalt see the Stygian without obsequies, And stream severe of the Eumenides? Or shalt to farther bank unordered tend? Hope not decrees of Gods by prayer to bend. But—hard fate's balm—let this in mind abide: The neighbors, through their cities far and wide, By portents warned, thy bones shall expiate, A tomb shall build, to tomb gifts consecrate, And the place age have Palinurus' name. These words his carking cares did somewhat tame And from his sad heart grief awhile expel; On the land's surname pleased his thoughts to dwell.

They then their way resume, and the stream near: Whom as the skipper spied, from Stygian mere, Through grove to go and bend to bank their path, He first them thus accosts and checks in wrath: Armed who to our stream tend'st, whoe'er thou art, Why com'st thou, say, and instantly depart.

Place this of shades, of sleep, and sleepy night; The Stygian keel must bear no living wight. Small cause had I to joy that on the lake, Either Alcidès, going, I did take; Or Theseus and Perithöus: though they Of Gods born were invincible, they say: By force to enchain hell's watch he had in view, And from King's very throne him trembling drew: They queen from Pluto's couch to force did try.-The Amphrysian prophetess made short reply: Not any such snares here—cease thou to rave— Nor force arms mean; the porter huge in cave May with eternal bark the pale shades scare, Proserpine chaste of uncle's gate take care: Trojan Æneas, pious as brave, tends To his father; to the dark shades descends. If of such piety no gleam thee sways, At least this branch—and she the branch displays Beneath her mantle hid—thou'lt recognise. Wrath towering in his bosom sinks and dies. The venerable gift admiring mute, Not seen for long-twig fated by repute,

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He bouts dark craft and to the bank repairs. Thence the various sprites away he scares That through the benches sat and deck relieves, And straight to hulk Æneas huge receives. Groaned 'neath the weight the boat compact, and through The numerous chinks much of the lake it drew. Both prophetess and man, across the flood, Safely at length he lands 'mong weeds and mud. Huge Cerberus, in cave couched opposite, With three-jawed bark these regions does affright. To him the prophetess—seeing repose Of snakes disturbed upon his neck—cake throws, With medicated stuffs somniferous made. He, wild with hunger—his throats three displayed— Catches what thrown and gulps, and, dropped on floor, His huge bulk yields, stretching the whole den o'er. Buried the watch: Æneas entrance makes, And way from stream whence no return quick takes. Straightway are heard voices and wailing great; And weeping infants' shades immediate, Whom, of sweet life bereft, from bosom snatched,

The dark day stole and to fell grave despatched.

Nigh these are those to death by false charge doomed. Nor without lot and judge these seats assumed: Minos the urn moves, as judge; and council calls Of shades; both lives and charges over-hales. Then, the next places hold the wretched band Who their own death have compassed with bold hand, And, thoroughly disgusted with the day, Their lives, though uncondemned, have cast away. How willingly they now, in upper air, Both poverty and irksome toils would bear. The Fates oppose: and with sad wave them chains The Stygian lake repulsive, and restrains. Nor far hence, stretching in directions all, Are shown the Moping Plains—so them they call. Here secret paths conceal, and myrtle grove Round those encompasseth, whom ill-starred love With cruel waste insidious did consume: In death itself their cares they do resume. Phædra he sees, and Procris; and sad there Eriphylè—her stern son's wounds laid bare: Evadnè and Pasiphaë, with whom Laodamia goes, companion close in doom;

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And Cæneus, late youth, woman now-once more Returned by fate to shape possessed of yore. 'Mong them was wandering, too, in the wood great, Phœnician Dido; from her wound but late. Near whom as first the Trojan hero stayed, And her recognised through the obscure shade,— As one who, when the month begins, or spies, Or thinks he spied the moon through cloud to rise,— He, shedding tears, addressed her lovingly: Hapless Dido, true news then came to me,— Thou wast extinct; hadst quit with steel thy breath. I was alas! the cause to thee of death. By the stars I swear; the Gods high attest; And, if any faith deep in earth does rest-Unwished, O queen, from thy shore was my course. But the commands of Gods, which now me force Through these shades to go—through parts rough and waste, And night profound—from thy domains me chased. Nor could I have, by parting, the belief That I to thee was causing such great grief— Stay, avoid me not; whom dost thou flee? This the last word, by fate, I speak to thee.

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Æneas tried to soothe and cause relent,
She held, on ground fixed, her averted eyes;
Nor more, from first word, changed her features' guise,
Than if hard flint, Marpesian rock stood there.
At length she burst away, and made repair,
Sullen, to shady grove; where former spouse,
Sichæus, answers cares, fulfils love's vows.
No less Æneas, struck by the unjust fate,
With tears afar pursues, compassionate.

Thence he proceeds: and now the farthest seats
They gain—of famed warriors the retreats.
Here appears Tydeus; and, renowned in arms,
Parthinopæus; and, with flights alarms
Pale, Adrastus' shade: here too, in battle slain,
The Trojans mourned above with sorrow's rain.
He sighed, when all in order noting thus,—
Glaucus and Medon and Thersilochus;
And the three brothers Antenoridès;
To Ceres consecrate, Polybætes;
Idæus, too,—e'en handling chariot, arms.
On right and left the sprites flock round in swarms.

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Nor, once to have seen, enough: they lingering stay; Advance; to learn the cause of coming pray. But the Greek chiefs, and the companions stern Of Agamemnon, soon as they discern, Through murk, the hero and his arms to glow,-Began with great fear to quake; part to show Their backs, as erst the ships they sought; to raise, Part, a feeble voice—commenced, in throat it stays. And Priam's son Deïphobus was here: Whole body torn; face slashed in hate severe; Face, and both hands; his head, too, of ears shorn, And with disgraceful wound nose cropt in scorn. Him scarce thus he knew,—struggling his dire wounds To hide—and first accosts, in well known sounds: Brave Deiphobus—of great Teucer's race— Who, cruel, thee presumed so to deface? To whom given such great licence touching thee? On the last night, a rumor bore to me That thou, worn out with killing Greeks, hadst lain Dead on a heap promiseuous of slain. Then I myself an empty tomb did rear On Rhœtean shore, and manès to draw near

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Thrice with loud voice I called. The place retains. Thy name and arms. Thee, friend, I by no pains Could parting see, on native earth to place. Then, son of Priam: Friend, thou lack'st no grace: To Deiphobus and shades thou paid'st all. But my own fates, and the guilt exitial Of Spartan Helen,* me whelmed in these woes: These the memorials that she bestows. For, that we spent the last night in false cheer Thou know'st-alas! the memory too near: When clomb high Pergamus the fatal horse, And, pregnant, bore in womb an armed force. She, feigning revelry, the Phrygian dames Led round the orgies, raising wild acclaims: Herself a torch held, and, from topmost height Of citadel, the Greeks she did invite. I, with cares worn out and by sleep oppressed, Then in the ill-starred chamber took my rest: In slumber, sweet, deep, most like death, I lay. Meanwhile, from house my rare spouse does convey All arms—e'en trusty sword beneath my head, Calls Menelaus, and gates wide does spread:

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Hoping, no doubt, a great boon to bestow, And fame of former ills to extinguish so. Why more?—the room they burst: 'mongst them does chime. Ulysses, instigator of their crime. Ye Gods, the like to Greeks do ye renew, If with lips pious I ask vengeance due. But come, in turn, do thou now tell, I pray, What chances thee alive have brought this way: Whether by errors com'st thou forced of sea? Or command of Gods? or what fortune thee So sorely tries, that thou thy way shouldst steer To homes without sun sad, foul atmosphere? Aurora's rosy team, ere turn of speech, The midway goal in lofty course did reach; And all the allotted time might so have fled, Had not the Sibyl warned and curtly said: Night speeds, Æneas; weeping we delay; This is the place where splits in two the way-Right, which to palace of great Pluto tends, By it our way to Ilysium bends: Left,—to the wicked's punishments pertains, And the impious Tartarus attains.

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Deiphobus to this, with quailing heart:
Rage not, great priestess, I will straight depart;
One verse more, and darkness again be mine:
Go, our glory, go, and better fates be thine.
Thus much he said, and with the word withdrew.

Æneas looks round suddenly: to view, 'Neath left hand rock a spacious fortress rose, With triple wall begirt; round which there flows, Rapid with lashing flames, Tartarean tide Of Phlegethon, and rolls stones sounding wide. Gate fronting, huge; of adamant the posts; Which power of man, nor even the heavenly hosts Themselves with steel could rend: stands high in air An iron tower; Tesiphonè* sits there, In bloody pall, porch watching night and day. Thence groans are heard; sound of fell scourge alway: Then clanking iron, dragged chains strike the ear. Eneas stood and the din breathed in fear. What crimes, say thou, what punishments are these? 0 virgin, what this outery wild on breeze? Then thus the prophetess: Leader renowned, Trojan,—none, chaste, may tread the impious bound:

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But, when the Avernian groves she gave to me,
The Gods' awards herself taught Hecatè
And me through all things led. These realms obey
Gnossian Rhadamanthus' iron sway.
He punishes, and hears the frauds no less;
And every one he forces to confess
What crimes, above committed, in stealth vain
Rejoicing, he to late death did retain.
Straightway, with scourge equipped the avenger nigh,
Tesiphonè the guilty ones does ply,
Insulting; and, outstretching in left hand
Fierce snakes, she calls the cruel sister band.

Then, creaking on harsh hinge, at length to slide
The accursed gates were seen—they open wide.
Not'st thou what sort of guard, she says, sits there
In vestibule? To what shape threshold's care?
More fierce the Hydra huge holds place within,
And with its fifty black throats wide does grin.
Then, Tartarus extends to dark profound
Far twice as is the view of sky from ground.
Here the Titanian youths—earth's ancient race—
By thunder whelmed, are tossed in lowest base.

Here I did also see, of form immense, The twin Aloïdès, who dared commence The mighty heavens with hands erst to pull down, And Jupiter to rob of his high crown.— Salmoneus, too, I saw; to fell pains sent On feigning Jove's fires, sounds Olympian, bent. He, by four horses borne and shaking high A torch, did through the Grecian nations fly; Through Elis' central town triumphing came, And for himself respect of Gods did claim. Fool! to feign storms and matchless thunder's force With brazen car and horn-hoofed horses' course. But, 'mid dense clouds, father omnipotent His bright bolt twirled, and, launching, downward sent, [No link bears he, nor smoky torch's fire] And headlong dashed him with the whirling dire.-There also to behold was Tityon, Of the all-teeming earth the fosterson. Through nine whole acres stretched his body lay: And with hooked beak a vulture huge alway Pecking his liver that, consumed, ne'er dies— Inwards, of pains prolific—gloating eyes

The loved repast, and dwells 'neath his deep breast: Nor to renascent fibre given rest.— The Lapithæ and Ixion why recall? Perithöus too? o'er whom, 'bout to fall And like to falling, a dark rock impends. The stately festive couch a lustre sends From golden props, and banquet dressed is there Before their eyes, most sumptuous the fare: The greatest of the Furies couches nigh [Nor dare they hope to escape her watchful eye] And table them prevents to touch with hands— Rises, raised her torch: thunders her commands.— Here, those who brothers hated; father beat; Or weaved for client fraudulent deceit: Or who alone o'er gotten riches bowed, Nor gave part to kin—this the greatest crowd: And, who for foul adultery were slain: And, who in impious war their sword did stain Nor feared the right hand of their lords betray. Imprisoned, they their punishment await: Ask me not say what punishment—to state By what process, fortune, the men cast. Others huge stone roll: hang to spokes made fast

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And wretched Phlegyas gives all to wit,
And, through the shades, with loud voice testifies:—
Learn ye justice, warned, nor the Gods despise.
This man his country sold, and tyrant dire
Imposed: made, and the laws unmade, for hire.
This not from guilt incestuous refrained.
All crimes enormous dared, what dared attained.
Not, if to me belonged a hundred tongues,
A hundred mouths, an iron voice and lungs—
Fully could I all kinds of crimes relate,
Names all of punishments enumerate.

Thus Phœbus' agèd priestess spoke; and still:
But come, do thou the way take, and fulfil
The task assumed; let us, she says, make haste.
The walls I see, in Cyclops' workshops traced,
And, in arch opposite, the doors I know,
Where, ordered, we the appointed gift bestow.
She said. They, walking through the shady way,
Side by side, pressed o'er space between that lay.
Æneas access occupies of door;
His body with pure water sprinkles o'er,

And leaves, on threshold fixed, the branch displayed. All this accomplished; gift to goddess made: They came where their eyes a scene joyful greets-Of the blest groves the verdure, happy seats. Freer here the air and, with cheerful glow, Mantles the plains: their own sun, own stars, they know. Part, on grassy lists, their chests expand; Contend in play; wrestle on yellow sand: Part plaud the graceful dance and raise the song. In long robe Thracian Orpheus, them among, With harp's seven tongues discourses harmony: Strikes now with fingers, now with ivory key. Here Teucer's ancient kind-most famous race-High-minded heroes, better times that grace— Ilus, Assaracus, and Dardanus, Troy's founder. Admires he, conspicuous, The heroes' arms apart and empty cars. Stand fixed in earth their spears; and, freed from wars, Through the plains wandering their steeds are fed. What pride of cars and arms in life was bred, What care their glossy-coated steeds to rear-The same, when 'stowed 'neath earth, attends them here.

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Others he does, on right and left, admire Feasting on sward, and hymning in gay choir, 'Mid fragrant laurel grove, where, upward bound, Eridanus' full stream through woods is wound.— Here—who, for country fighting, wounds sustained; And—who were holy priests while life remained; And pious bards who sang worth Phœbus' name; Or-who graced life with arts, their talents' claim; And—who by worth men mindful of them made. Wreaths snowy of all these the temples shade. Whom Sibyl thus, Musæus chief, addressed— For an immense crowd him, in centre, pressed And to him, high o'ertopping, upward gaze: O happy spirits, tell; and thou, she says, Most worthy bard, what region, what place, say, Anchises has: cause his, we took the way And rivers great of Erebus crossed o'er. And thus the hero's answer shortly bore :-To none fixed home: in shady groves we stay; Couches of banks, meads green where rivers stray, Frequent. But, if such wish your bosom hath, Ridge climb and I will set you on sure path.

He said: and led the way; and the plains bright From top he shows. They, then, descend the height, But father Anchises sprites—shut away In verdant vale, and who to upper day Were doomed to go-surveying was; with care Them noting; and all of his kindred there, Dear offspring, was reviewing by chance then— Fates, fortunes, manners, actions of the men. And when Æneas he o'er grass beheld Approaching, out both hands rejoiced he held; And tears ran down his cheeks; his voice o'erboils: Thou hast arrived, at length! and the way's toils, And difficulties great, thy piety Has overcome—already proved by me. Thy face, O son, 'tis granted to behold! Voices to hear—return—well known of old! So I in mind conceived and deemed 'twould be, Computing times; nor my care cheated me. From what lands visited—what great seas crossed— I thee receive! Son, by what dangers tossed! Dread mine, lest Libyan realms* might harm thee aught. But he: - Thy shade oft, sire, with sadness fraught

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Grant me to join right hands; grant, sire, this grace;

Nor yet withdraw thyself from my embrace.

O'er his cheeks, speaking, tears profusely strayed.

Thrice he his arms to throw round neck essayed:

Thrice, in vain grasped, the image 'scaped his hands;

Like to thin air; most like sleep's fleeting bands.

Meanwhile Æneas notes, where vale retires,
Secluded grove; and sounding copse admires,
And Lethe's stream these still haunts that flows by;
Round which countless nations, tribes, did fly.
And even as when bees, in summer bright,
Upon the various flowers in meads alight,
And flit in swarms the lilies white around,—
The whole plain is a-buzz with murmuring sound.
Æneas shuddered at the unlooked-for scene,
And asks the cause; what, puzzled, it might mean.
Moreover, what the river; who the men
That thronged the banks in such great numbers then.
Anchises answers:—Shades, to whom by fate
Are destined other bodies, congregate

By the Lethæan stream, and, at the brink, Do secret waters, long oblivion drink. Oft have I wished these, showing, to relate; To thee this race of mine to enumerate: That, Italy gained, thy heart might warmer glow. O Father, must I think sprites hence do go To air aloft? into gross forms return? Why such desire of life them wretched burn? I'll tell, O son mor in suspense thee hold, Anchises said; and all things does unfold:-From the beginning, heaven, earth, liquid plains, The moon's bright orb—a soul within maintains, And the Titanian stars; and mind the whole Universe does, through members shed, control, And itself mixes with the body vast. Thence man's race, and beasts, and lives winged cast, And monsters 'neath deep's marble plains that course. A fiery vigor have—celestial source— These seeds; far as gross bodies clog them not, Blunt earthy limbs and members doomed to rot; Hence they fear, desire, grieve, rejoice-ne'er bent Heavenward their views; in gloomy prison pent.

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Besides, when life with the last gleam has fled, Not, in them wretched, yet extirpated All ill-stains corporal: but much that here Concreted long, must in strange ways adhere. Therefore, they're plied with punishments, and pay The penalties of former ills: for they Must, likewise, all be purged. Some to thin air Suspended are spread out; of others, where The vast tide flows, the stain of guilty mire Washed out is with floods-or burned out with fire. Manès to bear we each must be content. Then, through wide Elysium we are sent: And, few, we occupy the blissful seats; When the long day, as time its orb completes, Has left—the stain concrete now purged away— Mere sense ethereal, spark of undimmed ray. All these, a thousand rolling years once sped, To Lethè's stream are by god summonèd; So they, oblivious, high convex may gain, 'Gin long with bodies to be clothed again. Anchises spoke: and son and Sibyl guides Amid the assemblage, buzzing on all sides,

And mounts a rise, whence he may all discern As they advance, and coming features learn.

Now, then, he says, to thee in words I'll trace What glory follows the Dardanian race; What Italian offspring they may claim,— Illustrious sprites, hence, into our name, About to go: thy fates I will divine. That youth who does on bright spear, see, incline, By lot life's first place holds—the first shall rise. With blood Italian mixed, to upper skies— Sylvius—Alban name—thy latest born; Whom thy spouse Lavinia thinks not scorn In woods a king, father of kings, to rear; Whence shall our kind o'er Alba domineer. That, next him, Procas—dear to Trojan fame: And Capys; and Numitor; and in name, Sylvius Æneas, who shall thee restore; Like fame for piety or arms in store, If he e'er sceptre shall o'er Alba sway. Observe thou what great strength the youths display. But those whose brows the civic oak does grace? These shall for thee cities on mountains placeNon Thes

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Augustus Cæsar—god-bred; who, once more, The golden age to Latium shall restore— To fields erst blest beneath Saturnus' reign: And o'er the Garamantæ sway shall gain; O'er Indians, too, the empire shall extend-Lands placed beyond where stars their circuit end, Beyond sun's goal, where Atlas heavenward rears And the fire-studded arch on shoulders veers. His far approach both the Caspian realms And the Mæotic land, e'en now, o'erwhelms; And the great Gods' responses fill with dread: Nile's seven mouths, too, with fear are troubled. Not earth so much Alcides did run o'er: Though he the brazen-footed stag did gore, Or groves of Erymanthus pacified, And with his bow made tremble Lerna wide: Nor Bacchus, victor, who, with vine-decked reins, From Nysa's top yoked tigers guides, restrains. And by deeds doubt we to grace valor, still? Or can the Ausonian land a fear instil?— But who far off is he with olive decked, Bearing in hands things sacred?—The aspect,

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The locks and snowy chin, I recognize, Of Roman king who first shall civilize With laws the city: sent from poor domain. From Curès small o'er empire great to reign. Him Tullus shall succeed; who the repose Shall of his country break, and stir up those To arms, now peaceful grown, and unused long To martial pomp and the triumphal song.— Next comes vainglorious Ancus; whom does please Too much e'en now the breath of vulgar breeze.-Wouldst kings Tarquinian see? and the proud soul Of Brutus the avenger,—badge of control, The fasces won? He shall, the first, assume A consul's power—rule harsh—and shall doom, For glorious liberty, to cruel fate— Father, sons factious: Oh! unfortunate. Just as posterity such deeds shall bear The patriot flame and glory's lust shall fare.— The Decii, afar, and Drusi, see; Torquatus, armed in stern authority; Camillus, too, back the ensigns bearing.— But those !* thou perceiv'st, in like arms glaring;

Friendly spirits now, and while held by night: Alas! what mutual war, when life's light They reach,—what fights they'll rouse and carnage fell: From the piled Alps-Monœcian citadel The father-in-law descending; and, equipped, From East the son-in-law, parts adverse, shipped. Oh! use not, boys, your minds to such great strife, Nor strong powers turn against your country's life. Refrain thou, first, thou branch of heavenly bud,— Cast from thy hands thy weapons, my own blood!— He shall to capitol drive victor's car, For conquered Corinth famed, Greeks slain in war. He, Argos, and Mycenæ, ancient seat Of Agamemnon, shall in arms defeat; With king himself of brave Achilles' line: Troy's sires avenged, and Pallas' injured shrine.— Who thee, great Cato, silent can pass by? Or, Cossus, thee? Who, Grachus' family? Or the two Scipioes, thunderbolts of war, Libya's fate? and potent, though poor, afar, Fabricius? Or Serranus, sowing seed? Whither me wearied, Fabius, wouldst thou lead?

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The breathing brass, I do believe; no less,
From marble forth elicit living face;
Plead causes better; and with radius trace
The heaven's movements; rising stars declare:
To rule the nations, Roman, be thy care.
These shall thy arts be: terms of peace to name;
To spare the conquered, and the proud to tame.

So spoke Anchises: and, to them amazed,
He further adds, as still intent they gazed:
See how with rich spoils decked Marcellus bright
Stalks victor, and all men o'ertops in height.
He shall, with cavalry, the Roman State
Establish, when disturbed by tumult great;
The Carthaginians quell and rebel Gaul;
And, third, spoils hang upon Querinus' wall.
Æneas then: [for with him he saw go
A youth by beauty marked and arms' bright glow;
But, of clouded front and dejected eyes:]
Who, sire, is he that him accompanies?

Son? or some other who our blood shall share? What friends around! What likeness he does bear! But dark night circles with sad shade his head. Father Anchises, thus, tears starting, said: Seek not, O Son, sad grief of thine to know; Him the Fates to earth shall only show, Nor more shall they permit. The Roman race Had seemed, ye Gods, too powerful, if such grace Theirs had remained. What groans of men that plain Shall send to Mars' great city! and, ah! vain, What funeral rites, O Tiber, shalt thou spy, When once the recent tomb thou glidest by! No boy of Trojan race, in future days, Shall to such hopes the Latin fathers raise: Nor land of Romulus shall ever boast Itself so much of any nursling lost. Ah piety! old faith! and brave right hand! None had dared, scathless, him armed to withstand, Whether 'gainst foe when he on foot should lead, Or with spurs dig the flanks of foaming steed. Boy, to be mourned alas!—if harsh decree Break thou mayst chance, Marcellus* thou wilt be.

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The region o'er, on the broad plains of air.
And when Anchises had his son, with care,
All things conducted through; and, with desire
Of coming fame, had set his mind on fire;—
He, then, him tells what wars he yet must wage;
Of the Laurentian people teaches, sage,
And city of Latinus; and how he
Each difficulty may surmount—or flee.

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Through which true shades of egress have free way:
Pure ivory,—the other brightly gleams;
But by it the Manès send false dreams.
With such discourse Anchises entertains
His son and Sibyl, till this part he gains:
And by the ivory gate he them forth sends.—
He makes direct for ships and joins his friends.
Then, skirting coast, he to Caieta bore.
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devoured by the Minotaur therein confined	8
‡ Gnossian land—the island of Crete	8
Royal Dame—Ariadne, daughter of Minos, being smitten with love for one of the unfortunate youths—Theseus, son of the Athenian King—Dædalus saved him and his companions by the simple	

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means of a clew of thread. The thread being attached to the post and the clew unwinding as they proceeded, they returned without difficulty, after Theseus had performed the exploit of destroying their intended devourer, the Minotaur	8.
• Icarus See note on Dædalus, page 8.	
* Phœbus—or Apollo	10
† Paris—Son of Priam, King of Troy, shot Achilles in the temple of Apollo. Achilles is here called Æacides, being son of Peleus,	
son of Æacus,	10
‡ Ilium—a name of Troy	10
• Latinus' realms—Latium	12
• Hecatè—or Proserpine, wife of Pluto, King of the Infernal Regions	14
† Alcidès—Herculès	14
• Juno, the infernal—Proserpine, or Hecatè, Queen of Hell, as Juno	
of Heaven—hence Juno, the Infernal	15
* Æolus—God of the Winds	16
Triton—trumpeter to Neptune, God of the Sea—using a hollow shell	
for trumpet	17
• His Mother's birds—pigeons, sacred to Venus, Goddess of Love, the	
Mother of Æneas	18
• Avernus—a word of Greek derivation, meaning "without birds"	21
† Eumenides—the Furies. Their mother, Night, whose sister was	
Earth	21
‡ Stygian King -Pluto, King of the Infernal Regions	21
Orcus—God of the Infernal Regions; here taken for the Regions	
themselves	22

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to the turned loit of		* Spartan Helen—Wife of Menelaus, King of Sparta, carried off by Paris, son of Priam, King of Troy, which caused the Trojan War—after Paris' death married his brother, Derphobus	35
•••••	8.	* Tesiphonè—one of the Furies	37
	10	 Libyan realms—Carthage, in Africa, of which Dido was Queen. Berecynthia—Cybelè, mother of the Gods—taken here for Earth, 	44
temple Peleus,		and therefore wearing a turreted crown * But those—Cæsar (Julius) and Pompey; the latter married to Julia.	49
	10	the daughter of the former. Cæsar was supported by the	
	10	armies of Gaul and the west; Pompey by those of Asia and the	51
Regions	14 14	*Marcellus.—M. Marcellus, son of the great C. Marcellus and Octavia, sister of Augustus, was destined by Augustus as the	91
as Juno	15	husband of his daughter, Julia. He was prematurely loaded with honors, but died at the age of twenty, to the great grief of	
ow shell	16	the Roman people, and was honored with a most magnificent funeral. When Virgil recited this Book of the Æneid to Augus-	
ove, the	17	tus, Octavia is said to have swooned on hearing this passage;	
	18	and to have ordered payment to him of ten sesterces for each line	54
birds" ter was	21	그 그는 사람이 아이트 집에서 하게 무슨 하면 하는데	54
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Page 8, line 2. For "Minoïs" read "Minoian."

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